

**MINUTES
CITY OF EDINA, MINNESOTA
EDINA PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE
EDINA CITY HALL
FEBRUARY 2, 2012
4:00 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lois Ring called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Answering roll call: Bernice Amacher, Pat Beaver, Mark Lidke, Bill McCabe, and Lois Ring.

Members Absent: Barbara La Valleur, Chip Jones, Amy Kerber.

Staff Present: John Keprios, Michael Frey.

Community Members Present: Anna Pugh

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Ms. Ring asked for additions or corrections to the agenda.

One change was voiced to Item F: Rules and Regulations EPAC Document. The correct wording should read EPAC Policies and Procedures Document. One addition was voiced to Item I: Other - Contract with Mr. Robert Jackson, Artist.

IV: ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of January 5, 2012

The Chair asked for corrections or changes to the minutes. One correction was voiced to Agenda Item G. Other, Sub Item A – Sculpture Loan from Mr. Legeros and recent purchase. The second paragraph was reworded: ‘Members of the committee entertained the idea of replacing the now vacant pad where “Reflecting on Friendship” was installed with another sculpture by Mr. Legeros. The discussion that followed resulted in an agreement with the general consensus to leave the pad vacant until the entries for the 2012-2013 Sculpture Exhibition have been selected. ‘

The Chair asked for a motion for approval of amended minutes. Ms. Amacher and Mr. McCabe simultaneously made a motion for approval. Ms. Beaver seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

V: COMMUNITY COMMENT

No community members present.

VI: REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Financial Report/New Donations – See attached Financial Report dated 1/31/12

Mr. McCabe reported that the current City balance for EPAC was \$10,000 for 2012. The 2011 budget of \$7,500 was used in its entirety.

The City balance for revenues collected through the Water Bill payments was \$61,020.93 through 1/31/2012, with total expenditures at \$71,146.32. Expenditures over revenues were at - 10,125.39 yet to be paid on the stained glass at City Hall. The debt would be paid in three years at the current rate or repayment.

B. Resignation – Naomi Griffith

The resignation of EPAC member Naomi Griffith was accepted with regret by all including absent members by e-mail.

Mr. McCabe detailed the conversation both verbally and electronically with Ms. Griffith regarding the resignation.

C. Website

Ms. Ring commented that the 2012-2013 Call for Sculptures was not on the EPAC portion of the website. Mr. Frey confirmed, and stated he would follow up with Ms. Bennerotte and ask again for the Call to be posted. Mr. Frey stated the website has yet to be launched.

D. Sculpture Book Sales Update

Mr. Frey reported that he received a check prior to the start of the meeting from Grandview Center for Dentistry. Mr. Frey stated he would speak with Ms. La Valleur regarding total number of sales. Possible re-order of the book was discussed, and Mr. McCabe brought up the point of the book will be out of date as of June when the new sculpture entries are announced.

E. Map Card Reprint

Ms. Ring presented the newly designed Map Card with Centennial Lakes now added and a photo of the 'Pinecone'. Members took copies of the card to distribute. Ms. Ring distributed cards at The Westin, The Galleria, City Hall, Centennial Lakes and the Edina Art Center.

F. Policies and Procedures

Mr. Frey reported that a first meeting was held on January 19th to review the working document for the EPAC Policies and Procedures attended by Ms. Ring, Mr. McCabe, Ms. Kerber, Mr. Jones and Mr. Frey. The group offered suggestions for revision, and to facilitate the process a second meeting will be held.

Mr. Keprios offered to attend the next EPAC Policies and Procedures meeting, and believed that to be the opportune time to speak about donations and the City and Council's approval of donations.

Ms. Pugh offered a suggestion to use Google.docs to allow easier edits to the document.

G. Artist Contract Document

Ms. Ring noted that the Artist Contract allowed for movement of sculptures after the September 1, 2011 date, and asked that the document be reviewed. The Artist Contract will be reviewed at the next EPAC Policy and Procedure meeting.

H. Artist Reception/Opening Exhibition

Ms. Ring stated the date for the Artist Reception will be June 20th, 2012 hosted by Pinstripes Restaurant in Edina. The event will be held indoors.

I. Other – Contract with Robert Jackson

Ms. Ring stated that the contract for display of artwork by artist Robert Jackson in City Manager Scott Neal's office will expire in March. Ms. Ring stated she would contact Terri Wilson at City Hall regarding art loan continuation.

VII. COMMITTEE/STAFF COMMENTS

The Chair asked for Committee or Staff Comments.

Mr. Keprios offered that it was an unfortunate and difficult situation regarding the gift of Reflecting on Friendship and that it was difficult to make all parties satisfied in agreement.

Ms. Amacher inquired about the status of the Veterans Memorial. Mr. Keprios offered that Mr. Eccleston had been selected as the sculptor for the Memorial, and that a small size scale of the sculpture would be produced and then enlarged and cast in bronze. Small size replicas would be created for donors of significant amounts. The budget for the Memorial is near \$400,000, and the price for the initial draft is in the \$60,000 to \$75,000 range. A duplicate might be created as a way to offset price.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Ring adjourned the meeting at 4:38 pm.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, March 1, 2012.